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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (CAPTION, EO, TAGS, SUBJECT OMITTED)

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT CH
SUBJECT: INFORMATION DEPT WARNS DAILY TELEGRAPH CORRESPONDENT

1. BEGIN SUMMARY. PRC FOREIGN MINISTRY INFORMATION DEPARTMENT
OFFICIALS DELIVERED SHORT FORMAL PROTEST TO LONDON DAILY
TELEGRAPH CORRESPONDENT NIGEL WADE IN CONNECTION WITH
ARTICLE RUN UNDER HEADLINE "MAO'S REPUTATION UNDER ATTACK
INSIDE CHINA." END SUMMARY

2. LONDON DAILY TELEGRAPH CORRESPONDENT NIGEL WADE WAS
SUMMONED TO FOREIGN MINISTRY INFORMATION DEPARTEMENT ON
APRIL 28 TO HEAR FORMAL PROTEST BY PRESS LIAISON DIVISION
DIRECTOR MA YU-CHEN IN CONNECTION WITH APRIL 22 ARTICLE
RUN UNDER THE HEADLINE "MAO'S REPUTATION UNDER ATTACK INSIDE
CHINA." "RESPONSIBLE PERSONS" CHI MING-TSUNG WAS PRESENT
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AND COPIED WADE'S REPLY FOR THE RECORD.

3. MA OPENED THE SESSION BY ASKING IF WADE REMEMBERED THE
ARTICLE IN QUESTION. ADVISED THAT WADE DID RECALL IT,
MA TOOK EXCEPTION TO THE CONTENT AND ANALYSIS: CHAIRMAN
MAO WAS "ESTEEMED AND RESPECTED" WITHIN CHINA, NO ONE IN
CHINA IS CRITICIZING MAO, AND THE SUGGESTION THAT SUCH

CRITICISM EMANATES FROM THE CANTON MILITARY REGION IS
"IRRESPONSIBLE AND UNFRIENDLY". MA THEN ADDED POINTEDLY
THAT CHINA "WISHES TO MAINTAIN FREINDLY RELATIONS WITH THE
DAILY TELEGRAPH."

4. WADE DESCRIBED THE TEN MINUTE SESSION AS CORDIAL AND
EXPECTS THAT THE MATTER IS CLOSED. BUT HE NOTES THAT MA AND
CHI HAD LIKELY NOT YET SEEN HIS APRIL 27 ARTICLE RUN IN
THE DAILY TELEGRAPH UNDER TH HEADLINE "HUA REPEATS CALL TO AVOID MAO
EXCESSES.
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